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In re Application of:

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 27, 2005**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including November 27, 2005, in which to respond to the final Office Action dated July 27, 2005.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, the fee of \$120 for a one-month extension of time is included in the enclosed check.

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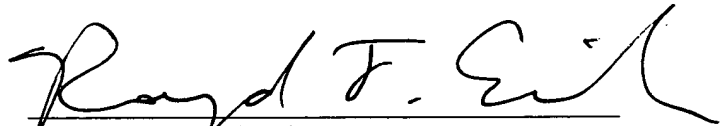
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Respectfully submitted,

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